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IT WON'T BE LONG, ONCE THEY SHAVE MY HEAD...
DOES IT HURT MUCH?
I DUNNO... I NEVER BEEN BURNED!
THEY KEY GRATES IN THE LOCK, THE CELL DOOR OPENS, AND THERE HE IS... WARDEN PAUL MARSH...
IT'S TIME TO GO, TOM GORDON!
NO... I DIDN'T MEAN TO KILL HIM... GIVE ME A BREAK!
MY FEET ARE LIKE LEAD... THEY ALMOST HAVE TO DRAG ME TO THE LITTLE GREEN DOOR...
COME ON, GORDON!

I DIE TOO OFTEN

ALL SO REAL...BUT IT'S JUST ANOTHER OF THOSE DREAMS I'VE HAD THE LAST FEW DAYS...
IF I COULD ONLY GO OUT OF MY MIND SO I WON'T KNOW WHAT'S HAPPENING TO ME!
I'LL DIE A THOUSAND DEATHS BEFORE IT REALLY COMES!
IT WON'T BE LONG NOW, GORDON!
STOP SHAKIN' SO MUCH, GORDON!... I MIGHT NICK YOUR SKULL WITH THIS RAZOR... YA MIGHT GET BLOOD POISONIN' AND DIE!
LAY OFF, WILL YOU!
HOW DOES IT FEEL WHEN THEY GIVE IT TO YOU, BUTCH?
WHY ASK ME, SUCKER ...YOU'LL KNOW SOON ENOUGH!
IT HARDLY FEELS LIKE A FEW MINUTES BEFORE THE WARDEN COMES...HIS FACE IS HARD...NO SYMPATHY IN IT...
LET'S GO, GORDON!
I-I CAN'T MAKE IT, MARSH... I'M AFRAID DON'T YOU UNDERSTAND?
IT'S ALL HERE...THE GREEN DOOR, THE COLD GREY CHAMBER ...THE CHAIR...
ALL RIGHT, EXECUTIONER...
THEN IT HITS... THAT SEARING SHOCK...
LEMME GO! AAAA!
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IT'S STILL A DREAM!
MY GOD!... HOW MANY TIMES DOES A MAN HAVE TO DIE!
YOU SHOULD HAVE THOUGHT ABOUT THAT BEFORE YOU COMMITTED MURDER, GORDON!
HITCH, WHEN YOU LEAVE, TELL 'EM TO SEND A DOCTOR... I'M SICK!
LOOK, PAL! IN ANOTHER HOUR-THEY'RE GONNA FIX IT SO YOU'LL NEVER BE SICK AGAIN!
DOES IT TAKE LONG TO STOP FEELIN' THE BURN, HUTCH?
ASK MIKE COLVIN WHEN YOU SEE HIM, GORDON... HE WAS FRIED LAST WEEK!
SOON WARDEN MARSH COMES AGAIN... BUT IS IT REAL THIS TIME... IS IT REAL?
COME ON, GORDON... TAKE IT LIKE A MAN!
NO! NO! THE MAN I KILLED DIED JUST ONCE! WHY DO I HAVE TO DIE OVER AND OVER AGAIN...
THAT LAST MILE WALK... THE GREEN DOOR... ALL OF IT OVER AGAIN...
PLEASE... DON'T! I DON'T WANT TO DIE!
YOU'RE JUST MAKING IT TOUGHER ON YOURSELF, GORDON!
THEN THAT FIERCE BURNING THAT JARS EVERY FIBRE, EVERY MUSCLE... IT'S SLOW, A LIFETIME OF DYING...
I WANT TO DIE... LET ME DIE...
GORDON! GORDON! WAKE UP... YOU'RE DREAMING!
I COULDN'T HAVE TAKEN ANY MORE OF THAT, HAGGERTY! IT WAS A DREAM WITHIN A DREAM WITHIN A DREAM... I JUST COULDN'T STOP!
I KNOW, GORDON... IT'S TOUGH... BUT YOU'RE AWAKE NOW AND IT WON'T BE LONG!

NOW I CAN REALLY FEEL... I KNOW I'M AWAKE NOW...

HUTCH... ARE YOU SURE I'LL DIE RIGHT AWAY... I COULDN'T TAKE A LOT OF SUFFERING!

I ASKED THE PRISON DOCTOR ONCE, GORDON! HE SAYS YOU GO REAL FAST... NEVER KNOW WHAT HITS YOU!

THANKS, HUTCH... THAT MAKES ME FEEL BETTER!

DON'T KEEP THINKIN' ABOUT IT! THINK ABOUT THE BIG FEED YOU GOIN' TO GET, PAL... ANYTHING YOU WANT TO EAT!

I DON'T THINK I WANT TO EAT, BUT I ORDER ANYHOW... AND WARDEN MARSH HIMSELF BRINGS THE TRAY IN...

WARDEN... I'M TO DIE, AT LEAST I'LL NEVER HAVE ANOTHER ONE OF THOSE DREAMS! IT'LL BE ONCE, AND EVERYTHING'LL BE OVER!

IT'S A GOOD WAY TO LOOK AT IT, GORDON...

I MAKE SURE I DON'T SLEEP BEFORE WARDEN MARSH COMES BACK... I DON'T WANT TO DIE BUT ONCE MORE...

I'M SORRY, GORDON!

I-I CAN'T MAKE IT BY MYSELF, WARDEN... MY LEGS ARE LIKE JELLY...

IT'S A LONG WALK BUT IT ENDS TOO SOON... MY MOUTH IS LEATHERY AND MY COLD SWEAT FEELS LIKE IT'S BLOOD RUNNING OUT OF ME...

I'M SCARED AGAIN, WARDEN MARSH...

KEEP REMEMBERING, GORDON... NO MORE BAD DREAMS...

I'M GLAD IT'S GOING TO BE OVER... NO MORE BAD DREAMS

...THEREFORE, THOMAS GORDON, IT IS MY DUTY TO CARRY OUT THIS EXECUTION FOR THE CRIME OF MURDER...

NO, THIS IS NO DREAM...
I MURDERED JUST ONCE... WHY DID I HAVE TO DIE SO OFTEN!
EXECUTIONER... GO AHEAD, PLEASE...
IT ALL ENDED SO QUICKLY... THE PAIN IS GONE... DEATH IS SO PEACEFUL... A LONG, LONG REST!
THE MURDER I DID IS AT LAST PAID FOR... I OWE NOTHING...
TOM GORDON... COME ON, TOM GORDON...
WHO IS CALLING ME?
OH, WARDEN MARSH... YOU WANT ME?
IT'S TIME TO GO, [redacted]...
BACK AGAIN! THE QUICK LONG WALK... THE GREEN DOOR...
NO! NO! YOU CAN'T... I'M DEAD NOW...!
TAKE IT LIKE A MAN, GORDON... IT HAPPENS TO ALL THOSE WHO COMMIT MURDER!
AN ETERNITY WITH THAT SAME HORRIBLE DREAM!!

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THE WINDOW

WHEN Howard Stevens was elected to be a delegate to the national convention of American lawyers in New York, he was overjoyed. It meant a whole week of relaxation, change of scenery, and a chance to hash over questions with some of the most brilliant legal minds in the country.

As he stepped off on his floor at the hotel, he gave the elevator boy an infectious grin and a generous tip as a token of his good spirits. Howard Stevens even smiled to himself as he placed the key in the lock of his room and threw open the door.

"A shower, change of clothes, and a cocktail before dinner," he thought as he looked about the plush room that was costing a good slice of his monthly income. He thought, too, that he was being extravagant, but he was on his way to becoming the most prominent lawyer in his community and all of this was something he would soon be accustomed to.

Then he sauntered over to the window to take his first bird's-eye view of the city. He fell back gasping in horror. He closed his eyes for a minute and swallowed hard, thinking it might be a mirage — just a trick of the bright September sun on the masses of concrete around him. And then he went back, opening his eyes slowly. There it was again, more ghastly, more real than before. He clenched his fingers on the window sill and forced himself to observe what his vision placed before him. Instead of people and cars and buildings there was a rocky terrain of purplish colored stone and grotesquely misshapen trees, bare of foliage with huge branches that reached to the ground, and tangled about the rocks like the legs of giant spiders. Here and there on the limbs of the gray trees a kind of bird perched that Howard had seen only in nightmares. The birds were very large, with shiny black feathers and long rat-like tails. As one swooped from its resting place and glided by the window, Howard saw that it also had two rows of sharp teeth.

"Ugh!" he exclaimed involuntarily and moved a few inches from the window. Then other inhabitants of this strange environment appeared.

"Men!" Howard cried. As they approached nearer the window, he saw that they walked upright but their hands and feet were webbed and the digits ended in claws. These creatures were approximately eight feet tall with gigantic globular-shaped heads and thin serpentine arms and legs. They chatted with one another motioning wildly with their long supple arms and gathered together beneath one of the trees.

Howard leaned out of the window and strained to hear what they were saying, but they spoke in hushed tones and in a language he couldn't understand. As one of them stood up in the bright glow of an orange sun, he saw that its entire body was scaled and these "men" resembled prehistoric lizards rather than the human mammal.

"Maybe I've become insane," he thought. "Perhaps I'm suffering hallucinations. I'll see a doctor," he decided and rapidly dressed himself and went out, carefully locking the door behind him.

"You seem alright to me, young man," the doctor said and smiled reassuringly at his worried patient. "All of this — this other world business may be a realistic kind of daydream. Very often our minds confuse the sleeping and waking states. I suggest you take a sedative and turn in early. You'll be alright tomorrow."

Howard felt much better when he returned to his hotel. He walked confidently over to the window and looked out. A

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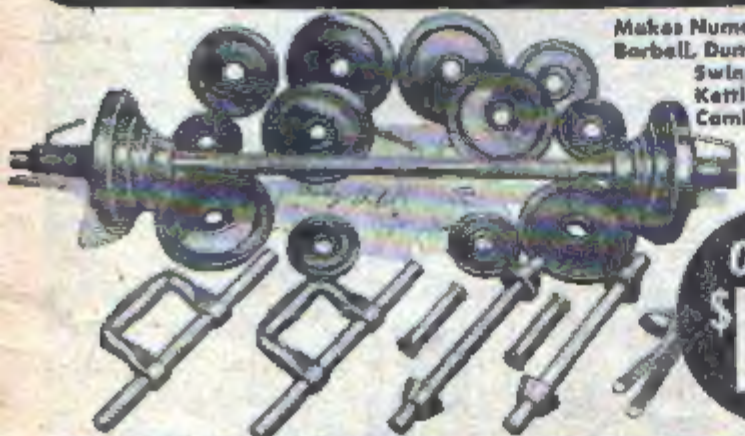

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THE VANDALS!

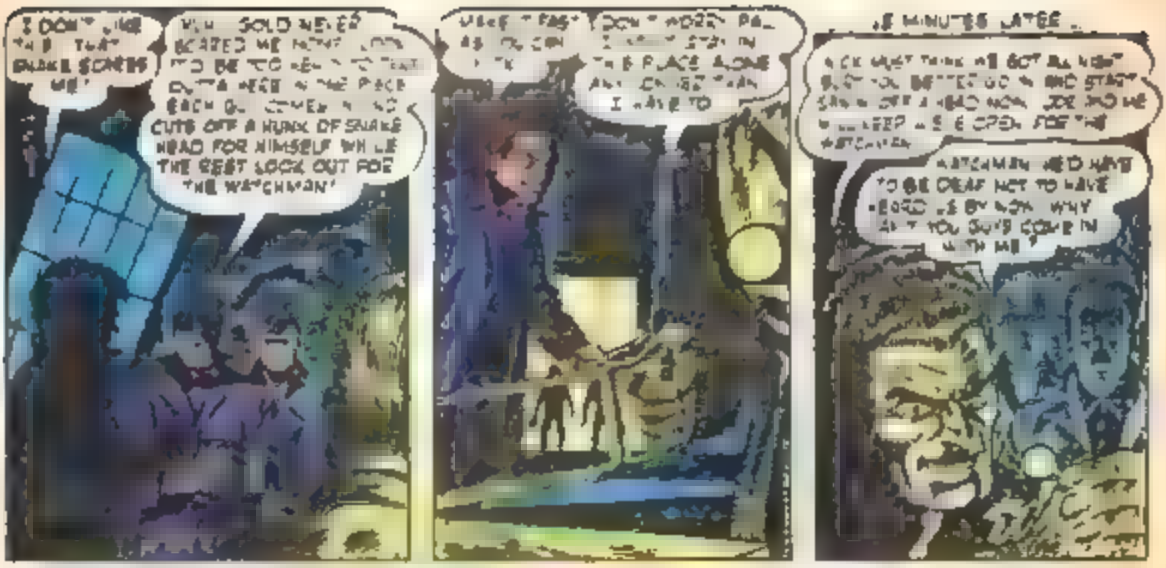
THE MUSEUM WAS CLOSED! ONLY A FEW MOOLOMS WALKED AMONG THE DEAD THAT NIGHT...
NICK! BURT! LET'S SCRAM OUTTA HERE!
WE GOT TO GET FRANKIE!
UHROOO!
THE HECK WITH FRANKIE... I'M LAMMIN', NICK!
AN ADVENTURE INTO TERROR!

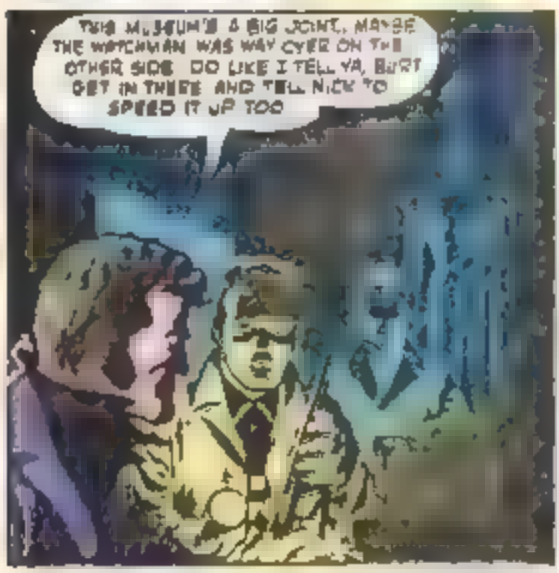
THE MUSTY SMELL OF A THREE-THOUSAND-YEAR-OLD SHROUD FILLED THE AIR... THEIR SHRIEKS OF FRIGHT RANG THROUGH THE "EGYPTIAN ROOM"...

THEN HOLLOW LAUGHTER ECHOED THROUGH THE GREAT CHAMBER...

WISE GUY WE COULD'VE DROPPED DEAD OF HEART FAILURE JERK
...EN OFF THE FUNNY STUFF FRANKIE
I'D BE WILLING TO BET THE LOOK ON YOUR FACE WHEN I "FOUND" ID BUST
SPEAKIN' OF KISSERS LOOK AT THE OLD MUG
YEOW! HE'S TURNIN' IT OUT
I GOT A BAD FEELIN' LET'S BEAT IT
THERE WAS NOTHING OF VALUE TO THE GOLD-DIGGER WHO HAD MURDERED HIS ANOTHER VICTIM OF THE NIGHT
HEY YA KNOW THERE'S A DOUGH IN THESE PARTS
I'D BE THERE'S BUT SNIPE THIS AND TRY TO GET IT OUT OF HERE BEFORE SOME ONE OF THEM EXPERT GUYS LAMPED
THEY CALL THIS JUNK ART? I COULD DO BETTER WITH MY LEFT FOOT
OOPS
YOU'D BETTER WATCH OUT WE DON'T TALK
SAY DON'T BOTHER ME I'M BUSY AS A PRINCESS
AND SO THE VANDALS WENT FROM ROOM TO ROOM DESTROYING THE VALUABLES MOCKING AND DISTURBING THE LONG DEAD
YAAAAA!
AH FOR THE LOVE OF MIKE FRANKIE GET "OUT"
LOOK THIS IS FUN BUT I AIN'T GETTIN' NOTHIN WE OUGHT TO BE LOOKIN FOR VALUABLES OR SOMETHIN
OKEY LET'S LOOK

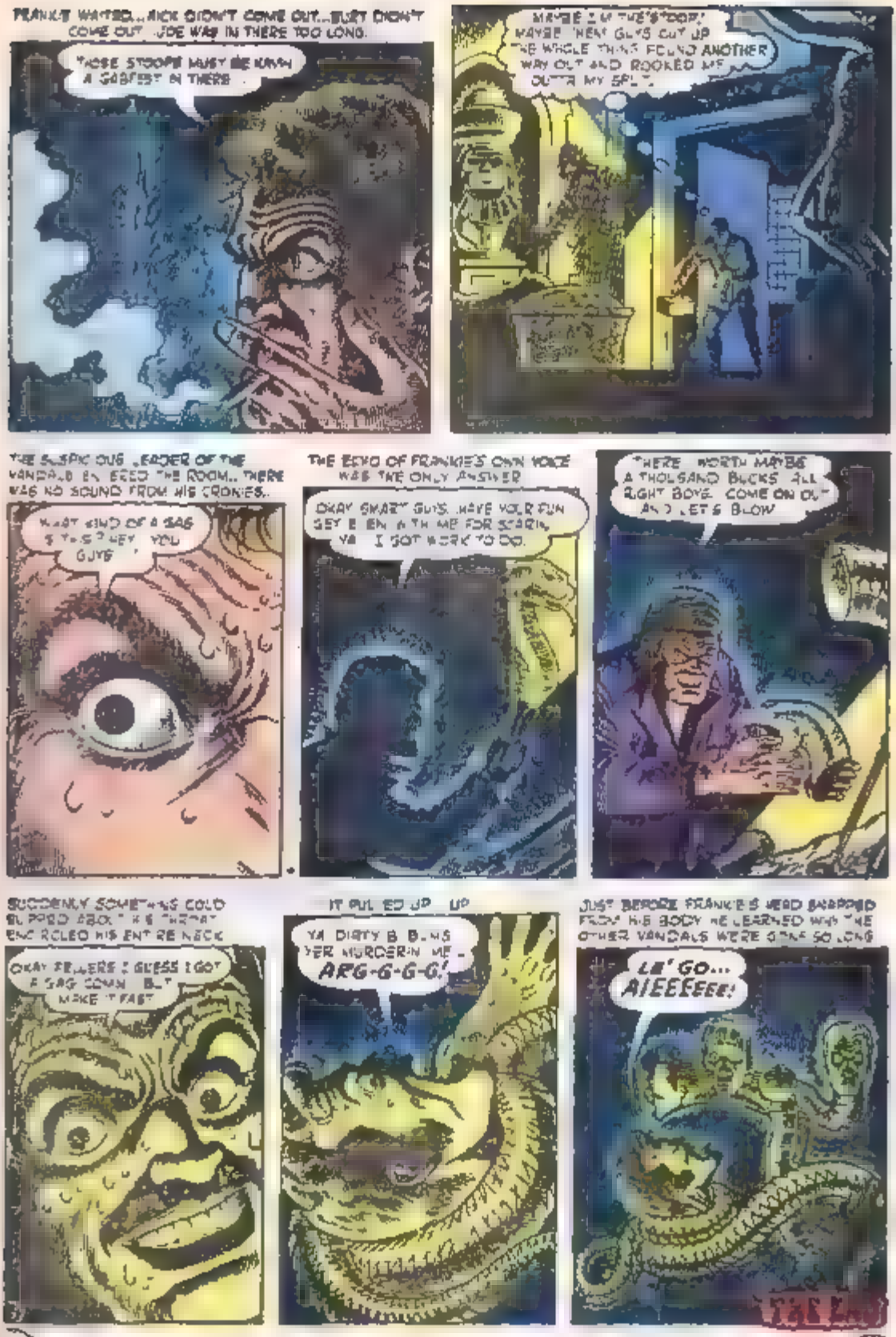
A FEW MINUTES LATER
WOW. I'D HATE TO MEET ONE OF THEM BIRDS IN THE WOODS
THEY AIN'T THE WOODS AND THEY'RE DEAD, SO FORGET 'EM AND START LOOKIN' FOR SOMETHIN' WORTH-WHILE SWIPIN'
AIEEEE... FELLERS... HELP!
WHO UM DEAD? ME GIVE UM PALEFACE BIG HAIRCUT
YAHOO! I ALMOST SCARED THE SCALP OFF YA BUZZ
GO ON, YA GOON, QUIT THE CLOWNIN'
SAY, LOOK AT THIS GOLD!
THIS AIN'T GOLD, YA DOPE! IT'S COPPER THE STUFF THEY MAKE PENNIES OUTTA
AA- NUTS
COME ON. WE'LL LOOK SOMEWHERE ELSE
CHEEZ! WILL YOU LOOK AT THAT CHARACTER
YEAH, HE JUST SCARED ME OUTTA SIX MONTHS' SLEEP
THERE WAS SOMETHING DIFFERENT ABOUT THIS ROOM SOMETHING THE VANDALS COULD ONLY FEEL INSIDE AND IT MADE THEM UNEASY
YOU'RE THE BOSS OF THIS GANG, FRANKIE. SO SEE WHAT THAT THING'S MADE OF
YA DON'T HAVE TO SHOVE, JOE. TAKE IT EASY
WE'VE HIT IT RICH. THIS IS GOLD. SOLID RIGHT THROUGH
GET OUT THE SAWS, FRANKIE. WE'LL HACK THAT THING UP AND CARRY IT OUT OF HERE


I DON'T LIKE THE WAY THAT SNAKE SCARES ME!
HUH SOLD NEVER SCARED ME NONE LOOK IT'D BE TOO HEAVY TO TAKE OUTTA HERE IN THE PACK EACH OF COMES IN AND CUTS OFF A HUNK OF SNAKE HEAD FOR HIMSELF WHILE THE REST LOOK OUT FOR THE WATCHMAN!
DON'T WORRY PAL I'LL STAY IN THIS PLACE ALONE AND CHECK THEM I HAVE TO
45 MINUTES LATER
NICK MUST THINK WE GOT BALLS OF STEEL YOU BETTER GO IN AND START SAWING OFF A HEAD NOW JOE AND WE'LL KEEP AN EYE OPEN FOR THE WATCHMAN
WATCHMAN NEED HAVE TO BE DEAF NOT TO HAVE HEARD US BY NOW WHY DON'T YOU GUYS COME IN WITH ME?


THIS MUSEUM'S A BIG JOINT, MAYBE THE WATCHMAN WAS WAY OVER ON THE OTHER SIDE DO LIKE I TELL YA, BURT GET IN THERE AND TELL NICK TO SPEED IT UP TOO

FRANKIE AND JOE STOOD THEIR SILENT WATCH...THE MONOTONOUS SPLATTER OF RAIN OUTSIDE WAS ALL THAT BROKE THE STILLNESS

I'M AFRAID FRANKIE THERE'S SOMETHIN ABOUT THAT SNAKE
SEND THOSE TWO DOPES OUT JOE AND IF YOU TAKE MORE THAN FIFTEEN MINUTES I'LL KNOCK YOUR TEETH DOWN YOUR THROAT.


FRANKIE WAITED...NICK DIDN'T COME OUT...BURT DIDN'T COME OUT...JOE WAS IN THERE TOO LONG.
"THOSE STOOPS MUST BE KAYO A GABFEST IN THERE."
MAYBE I'M THE "STOOP." MAYBE THEM GUYS CUT UP THE WHOLE THING FOUND ANOTHER WAY OUT AND ROOKED ME OUTTA MY SPLIT.
THE SUSPICIOUS LEADER OF THE VANDALS EXCEED THE ROOM... THERE WAS NO SOUND FROM HIS CRONIES..
"WHAT KIND OF A GAG IS THIS? HEY, YOU GUYS"
THE ECHO OF FRANKIE'S OWN VOICE WAS THE ONLY ANSWER
"OKAY SMART GUYS...HAVE YOUR FUN GET IN WITH ME FOR SCARIN YA I GOT WORK TO DO."
"THERE WORTH MAYBE A THOUSAND BUCKS ALL RIGHT BOYS. COME ON OUT AND LET'S BLOW"
SUDDENLY SOMETHING COLD SLIPPED ABOUT HIS THROAT AND ROLLED HIS ENTIRE NECK
"OKAY FRANKIE I GUESS I GOT A GAG COMIN BUT MAKE IT FAST"
IT PULLED UP UP
"YA DIRTY B-BANS YER MURDERIN ME - ARG-G-G-G!"
JUST BEFORE FRANKIE'S HEAD SNAPPED FROM HIS BODY HE LEARNED WHY THE OTHER VANDALS WERE GONE SO LONG
"LE' GO... AIEEEEEE!"
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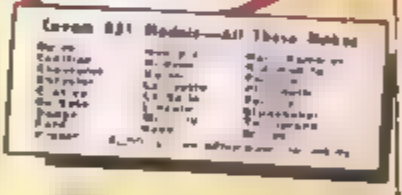

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low groan escaped his lips and his body sank against the window casing. The sun had disappeared and darkness was settling rapidly over the landscape. Now the birds circled above the trees and uttered low wailing cries. The scaled men had gone, at least for the moment. Howard drew a chair up to the window and settled down for the night with a blanket and binoculars.

They came again — three of them and walked close to the window. One spoke in English.

"The invasion of Earth will be a relatively simple matter, don't you think so, Howard Stevens?" The monster twirled around and looked directly into Stevens' amazed stare.

"But why, how did you know me? Why did you single me out of all the millions of other people on earth to learn of your plan?"

"We needed an intelligent guinea pig, Stevens. You have a precise and logical mind. Using you as a gauge, we know that panic and terror will overwhelm the majority of people. A few, like you, will be first dumbstruck, then doubtful, then curious. Action will come too late. The Earth race has become degenerate, Stevens. You have shown time and again that you would rather listen to fools and madmen than think for yourselves. Since you cannot exist without someone telling you what to do, we shall become your masters and you our slaves."

"You're crazy!" Stevens retorted. "And you're wrong. You'll see."

"Such faith is admirable, but unjustified," I'm afraid," the leader of the group replied. "Go, Stevens. Tell your fellow earthmen that there is going to be an invasion of their planet and see what they do."

Howard Stevens got up, put his coat on with trembling hands and walked out into the street of one of Earth's largest cities.

"Perhaps they're right," he thought. "Perhaps everyone will laugh and call me a raving maniac, but I don't think we're licked yet, not without a fight." He turned into the brightly lighted foyer of a newspaper office and asked to speak to the night editor.

The brusque editor looked at the man before him and listened to his story. Then he patted Stevens on the shoulder and told him to go home and sleep off his hangover.

After making the rounds of newspaper offices, Stevens called the governor. The governor was not in.

"On vacation," his secretary told him.

As a last weary resort, Stevens tried to call the President. The President had retired for the evening.

Stevens went back to the hotel and sank down into the chair in front of the window. He buried his head in his hands.

"When will it come?" he asked the Martian leader.

"It wouldn't be a surprise if I told you, would it, Stevens?"

THE END

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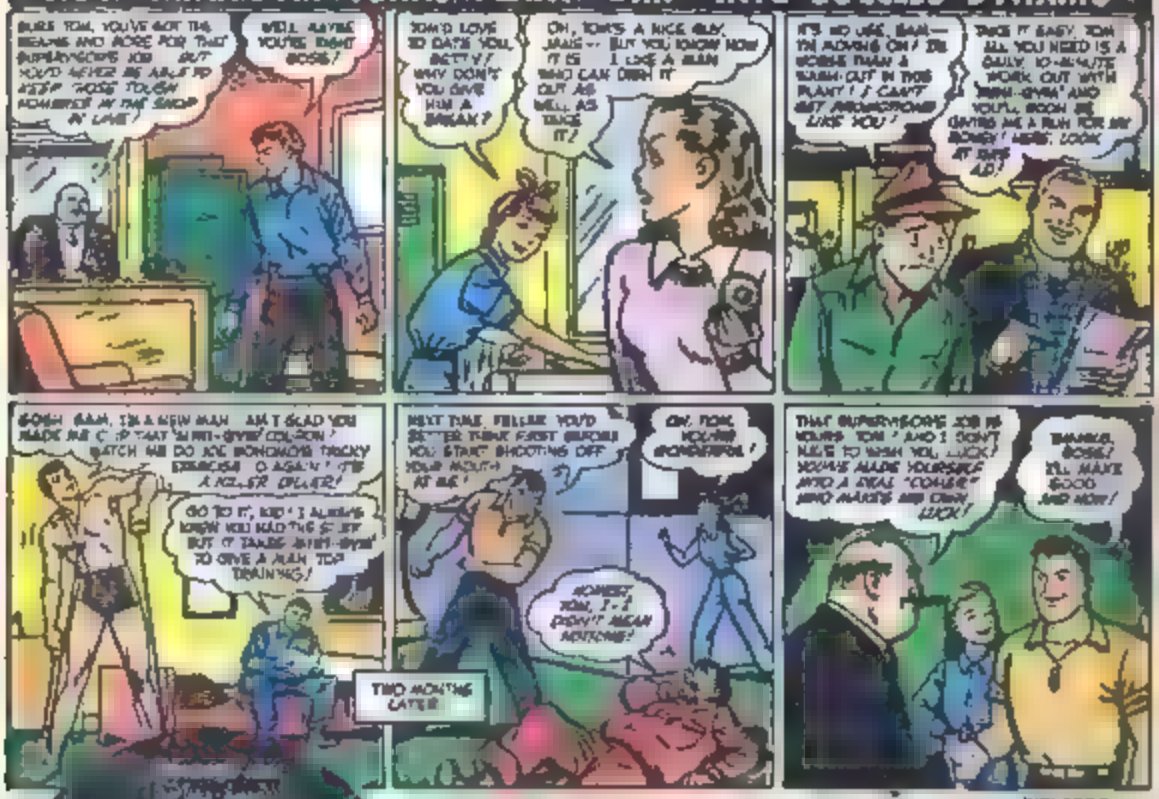

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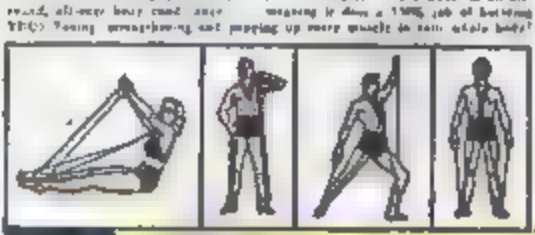

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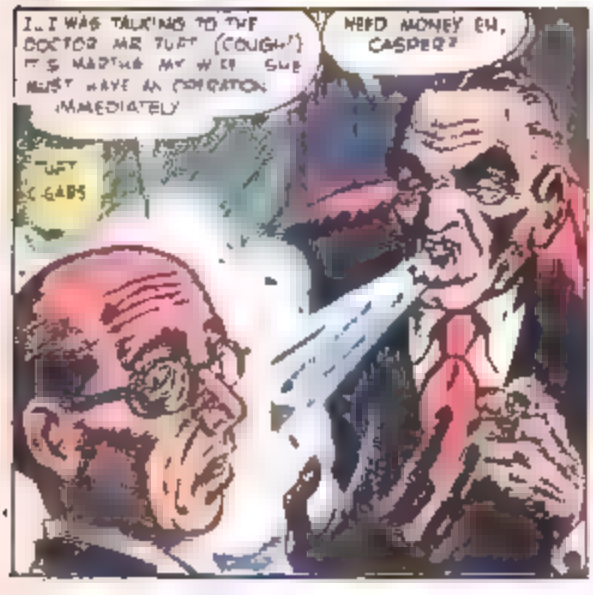
I..I WAS TALKING TO THE DOCTOR MR TUFT (COUGH!) IT'S MARTHA MY WIFE SHE MUST HAVE AN OPERATION IMMEDIATELY
NEED MONEY EH, CASPER?
TUFT CIGARS

I'LL GIVE YOU YOUR ANSWER..
RIGHT HERE!
AND THE ANSWER IS
NO!
LIGHT UP A GOOD TUFT CIGAR AND PUFF YOUR WORRIES AWAY, CASPER! NOW, GET BACK TO WORK!
YOU KNOW, (COUGH) I CAN'T STAND CIGAR SMOKE MR TUFT
ON HIS WAY HOME, AFTER WORK, ALL CASPER COULD THINK OF WAS THE TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS
MR TUFT HAS MILLIONS AND HE WON'T LEND ME TWO THOUSAND. AFTER WORKING FOR HIM FOR TWENTY YEARS... WITHOUT A RAISE
EVERYBODY LOVES TUFT CIGARS
I DON'T KNOW HOW I'M GOING TO TELL MARTHA. SHE WAS SO SURE MR TUFT WOULD LEND US THE MONEY FOR THE OPERATION.
AND WHEN HIS WIFE ASKED HIM ABOUT THE LOAN, CASPER JUST DIDN'T HAVE THE HEART TO TELL HER THE BITTER TRUTH
MR. TUFT LOANED YOU THE MONEY DIDN'T HE CASPER?
HE SAID HE'D THINK IT OVER MARTHA DEAR

THAT'S OUT CASPER
.. HE TOSSED AND TURNED
HE GET UP AND THOUGHT
AND HE WORRIED!
POOR MARTHA!
BUT HE WAS IN THE OFFICE BRIGHT AND EARLY THE NEXT MORNING
GOT A SURPRISE FOR YOU CASPER! SOME REAL GOOD NEWS!
OH, THANK HEAVENS, MR. TUFT! I WAS NEARLY CRAZY WITH WORRY
TUFT CIGAR
TWO THOUSAND? YOU GOT IT ALL WRONG CASPER
PAY BACK EVERY CENT OF THE TWO THOUSAND WITH INTEREST
TUFT CIGARS
I'M THROWING A PARTY AT MY HUNTING LODGE FOR SOME BIG CIGAR MEN. YOU'LL BE COMIN ALONG TO TAKE NOTES!
UH?
TUFT
BUT I CAN'T LEAVE MARTHA SHE'S VERY SICK
IF YOU DON'T COME YOU'RE FIRED! SUIT YOURSELF!

SO CASPER WENT
THIS SMOKE IS KILLING ME...OH, THEY'RE COMING NEAR ME WITH THEIR BLASTED CIGARS!
YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE HERE NOT SMOKING! LIGHT UP A GOOD TUFT CIGAR THAT'S AN ORDER!
ME SMOKE A CIGAR? OH YES ME TUFT!
(COUGH!)
(COUGH!)
CAN'T TAKE IT EH CASPER?
CASPER THAT WAS WONDERFUL

CASPER WAS OUT BY THE AMMUNITION SHED WHEN MR TUFT
PRETTY SICK EH CASPER! SAY A MAN JUST DROPPED
DANGER EXPLOSIVES
SAID YOUR WIFE DIED!
WHAT? MARTHA DEAD!
YOU COULD HAVE SAVED HER YOU KILLED HER!
WAIT! BE REASONABLE CASPER DON'T!
TWENTY MINUTES LATER
HEY CASPER! WHERE'S YOUR BOSS? WE'RE WAITING TO HEAR HIS SPEECH ON THE CIGAR INDUSTRY!
MR TUFT IS OUTSIDE SMOKING WE SHOULD HEAR FROM HIM ANY MINUTE NOW
GOOD
AND CASPER WAS SO RIGHT!!!
EXPLOSIVES
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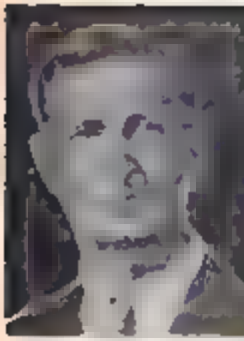

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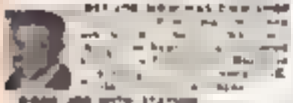

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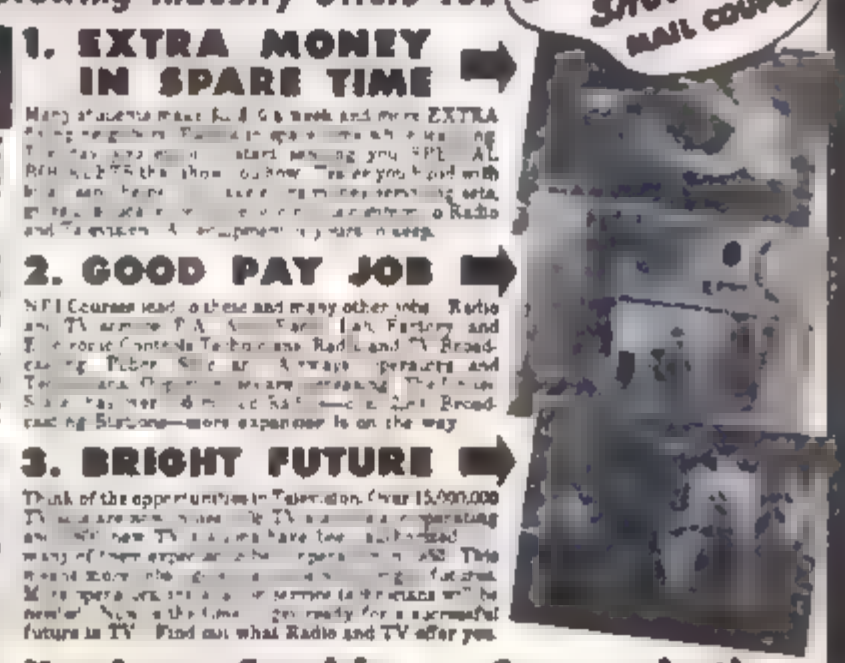

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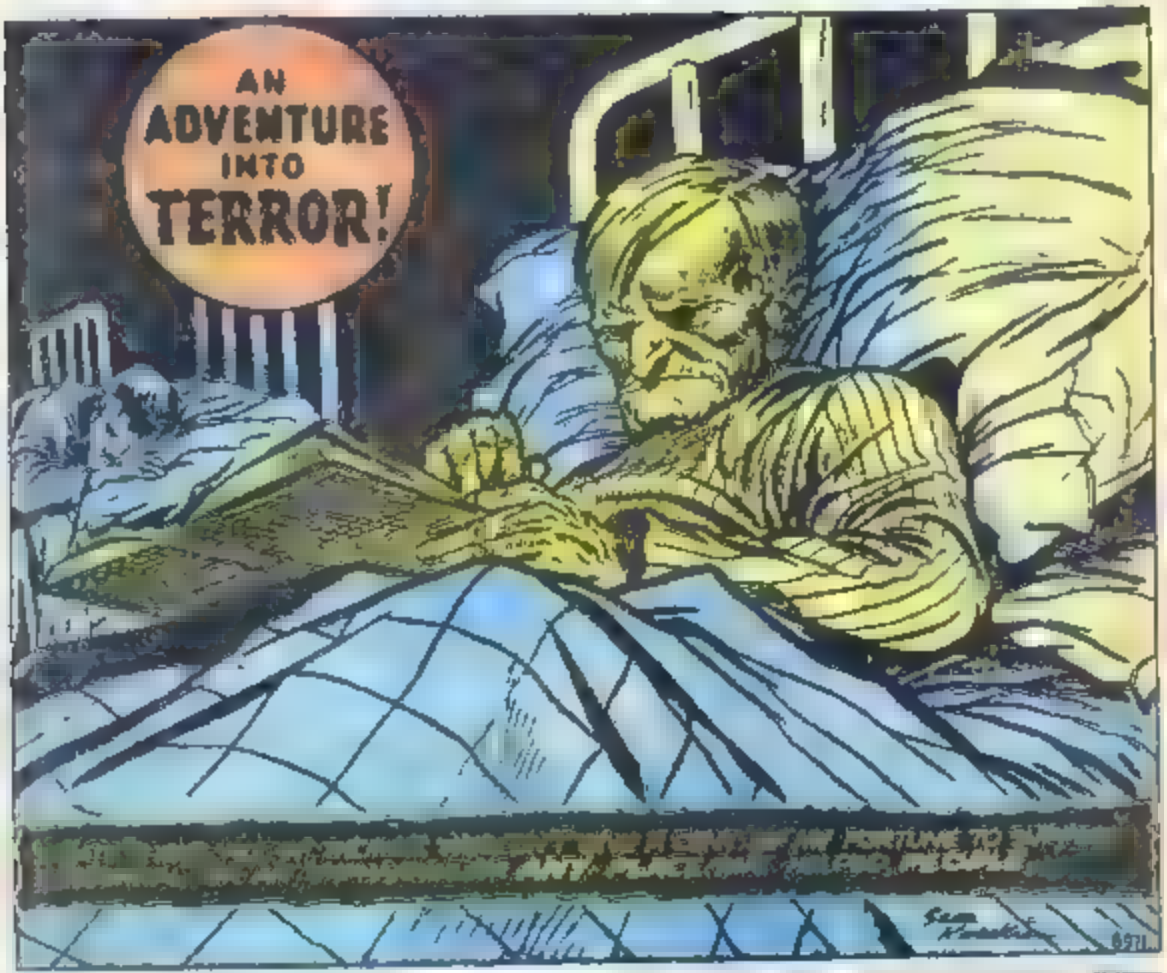

NURSE NURSE MY STOMACH I'M ON FIRE! WATER PLEASE WATER!

MR HIGGENBOTHAM DO YOU COME HERE AND HELP ME!

NO,, NO DON'T HURT ME I'M ALL RIGHT NOW

HOLD HIM DOWN DOCTOR I'LL GET A HYPO

NOW THERE YOUNG MAN,, I'M NOT SO VIOLENT AS ALL THAT IT WAS JUST MY STOMACH A CRAMP

WHY DON'T YOU RELAX AND LIE STILL?

YES,, RELAX I WILL YOU MAY LEAVE NOW YOUNG MAN AND GET BACK TO

THAT'S BETTER NOW LEAVE ME ALONE

YOU WON'T NEED THAT HYPO NOW NURSE!

IS HE QUIET?

YES WELL BE QUIET NOW

YES, I'M QUIET I'VE BEEN THRU A LOT THANKS TO YOU, BUT NOW I WANT TO REST

YOU KNOW WHAT TO DO!

SURE AND FOR THIS ONE TIME A PLEASURE!

YOU JUST WATCH YOUR TONGUE YOU UPSTART WHAT EVER IT IS YOU'VE GOT TO DO, DON'T TAKE IT OUT ON ME

BELIEVE ME, GRANDPA THIS SHOULD HAVE HAPPENED SOONER!

WHY HAVE YOU TIED ME UP LIKE THIS WHERE ARE YOU TAKING ME?

IT'S COLD IN HERE WHERE ARE YOU GOING?
DON'T CLOSE THAT DOOR! TELL ME WHERE YOU'RE GOING!
DON'T YOU HEAR ME? I HAVE SOME RIGHTS! COME BACK!
UGLY OLD DOG, ISN'T HE?
YOU SAID IT!
WHY IT'S AN OPERATING ROOM! WHY DIDN'T YOU TELL ME DOCTOR? IF I NEED AN OPERATION, WHY THEN.
READY, DOCTOR?
READY
DO WHAT YOU THINK IS RIGHT AFTER ALL YOU'RE MY DOCTOR AND I TRUST YOU!
SCALPEL!
SCALPEL!
HEY DOCTOR, YOU FORGOT THE ETHER DOC!
DOC! PLEASE! YOU'RE KILLING ME DON'T!
CAUSE OF DEATH PERFORATED ULCER!
PLEASE OH, PLEASE YOU'RE AIEEIIE! DOON'T!
OH! I CAN'T BEAR TO WATCH THESE AUTOPSIES!
WHY NOT? THE CORPSES CAN'T COMPLAIN
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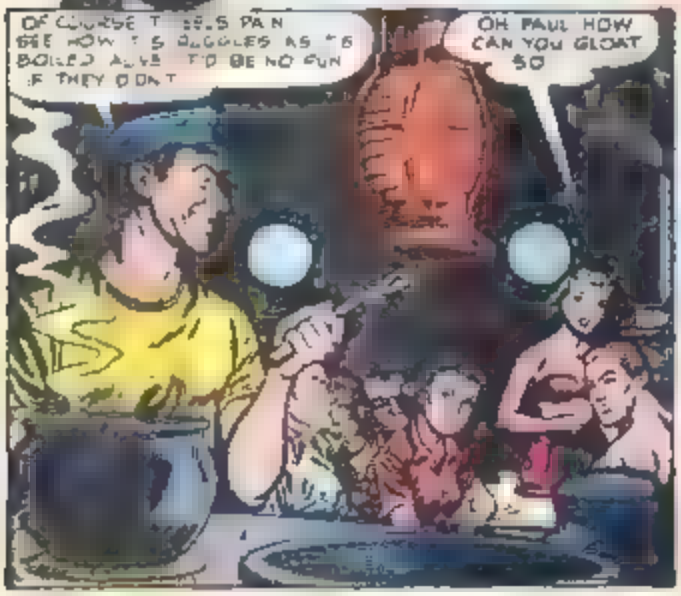
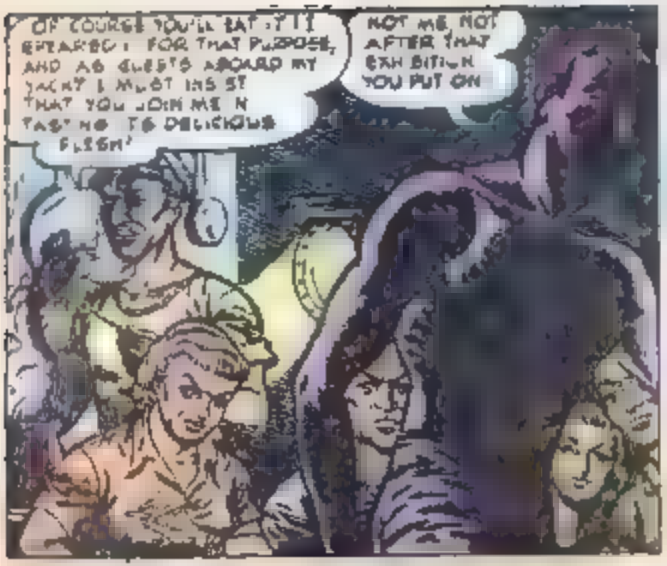
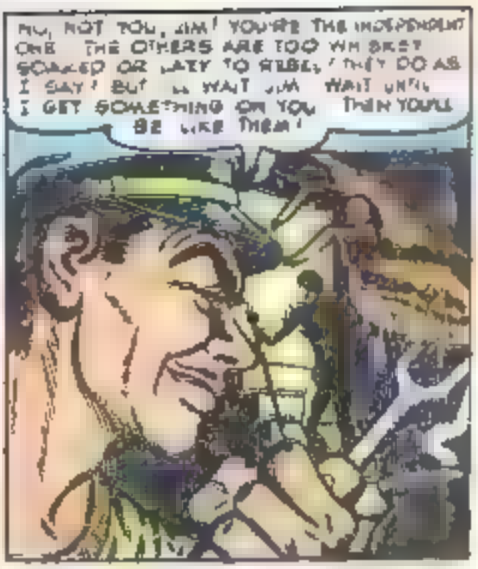
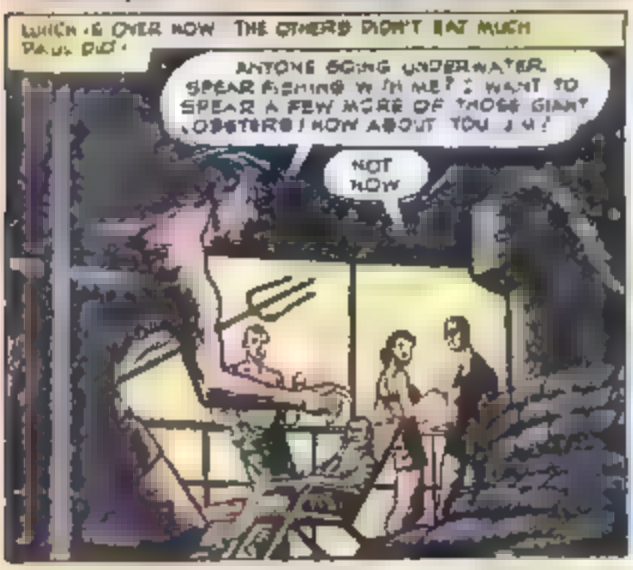
HAVE YOU [redacted] A LOBSTER THROWN INTO A POT OF BOILING WATER, STRUGGLING, AND TURNING RED AS IT'S BOILED ALIVE? DID YOU EVER WONDER IF IT FEELS PAIN?..



MY BRIDE TO-BE DOESN T APPREC ATE MY LITTLE PLEASURES
I DON T BLAME HER DO YOU EXPECT US TO EAT THAT THING AFTER MAKING US WATCH T KE THIS?


OF COURSE YOU'LL EAT ! I PREPARED IT FOR THAT PURPOSE, AND AS GUESTS ABOARD MY YACHT I MUST INSIST THAT YOU JOIN ME IN TASTING ITS DELICIOUS FLESH!
NOT ME. NOT AFTER THAT EXHIBITION YOU PUT ON

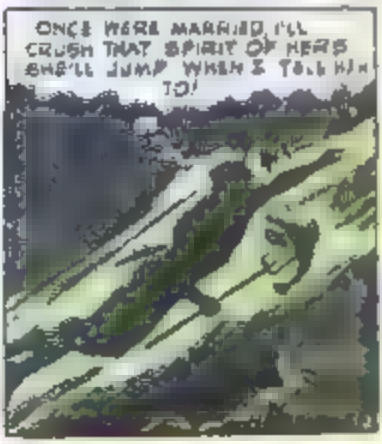

NO, NOT YOU, JIM! YOU'RE THE INDEPENDENT ONE. THE OTHERS ARE TOO WEAK SPOILED OR LAZY TO REBEL. THEY DO AS I SAY! BUT... I WANT YOU. WAIT UNTIL I GET SOMETHING ON YOU. THEN YOU'LL BE LIKE THEM!

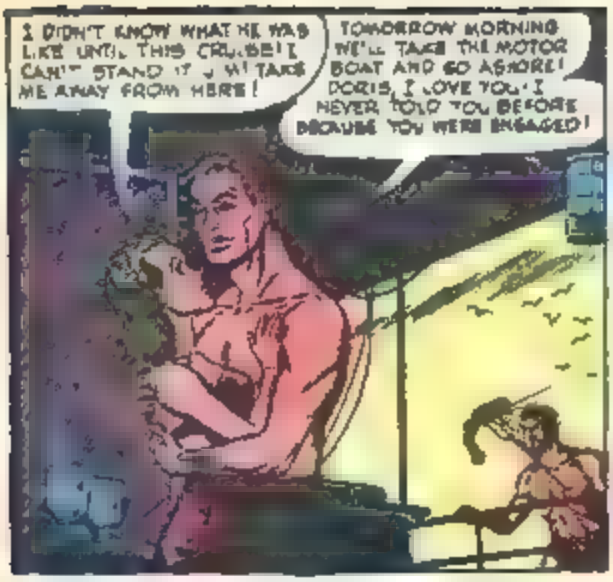

WHICH IS OVER NOW. THE OTHERS DIDN'T EAT MUCH. PAUL DID!
ANYONE GOING UNDERWATER SPEAR FISHING WITH ME? I WANT TO SPEAR A FEW MORE OF THOSE GIANT LOBSTERS! HOW ABOUT YOU, JIM?
NOT NOW

BE CAREFUL OF THOSE NOT SPEARGUNS BE ON YOUR MARKS! THEY'RE DANGEROUS HERE OFF THE CALIFORNIA COAST
I NEED YOU TO SAIL THE YACHT, NOT TO GIVE ME ADVICE! GET BACK TO YOUR JOB

WATCH HOW I SPEAR THAT LOBSTER! HE'S CAREFUL THAT HE DOESN'T KILL IT. HE WANTS TO BOIL IT ALIVE AND WATCH IT STRUGGLE AS IT DIES! TYPICAL OF PAUL, ISN'T IT?

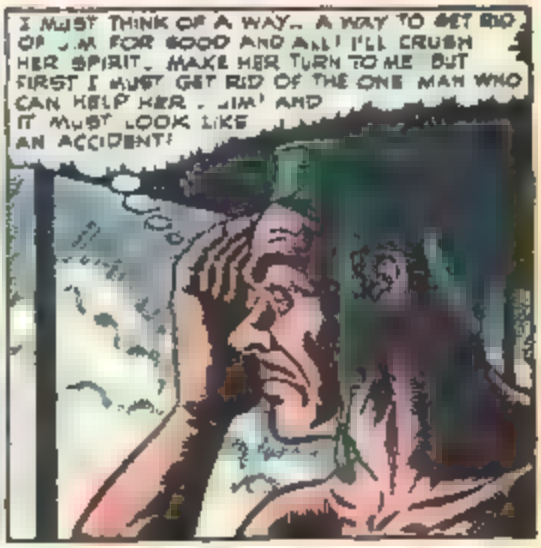
NOW HE'S SWIMMING UP TOWARD THE YACHT. HE'S THINKING OF THE FUN HE'LL HAVE COOKING THIS ONE. AND HOW HE'LL TORMENT THE OTHERS ON THIS "PLEASURE" CRUISE. HE IS THINKING OF DORIS, TOO.

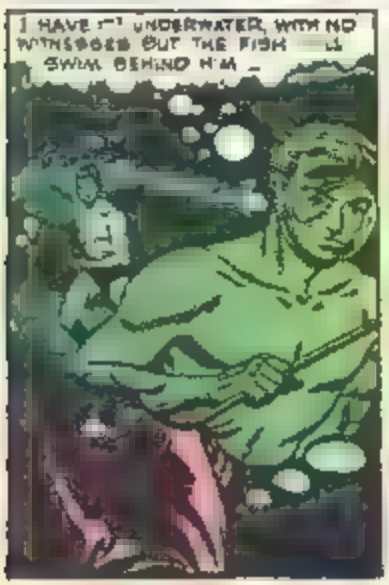



I DIDN'T KNOW WHAT HE WAS LIKE UNTIL THIS CRUISE! I CAN'T STAND IT ... I'LL TAKE ME AWAY FROM HERE!
TOMORROW MORNING WE'LL TAKE THE MOTOR BOAT AND GO ASHORE! DORIS, I LOVE YOU! I NEVER TOLD YOU BEFORE BECAUSE YOU WERE ENGAGED!

I LOVE YOU TOO, JIM... AS MUCH AS I HATE PAUL, NOW! TAKE ME AWAY, JIM!
DARLING! I'LL TAKE YOU AWAY! WE'LL BE MARRIED, AND FORGET PAUL AND ALL HIS ROTTENNESS!

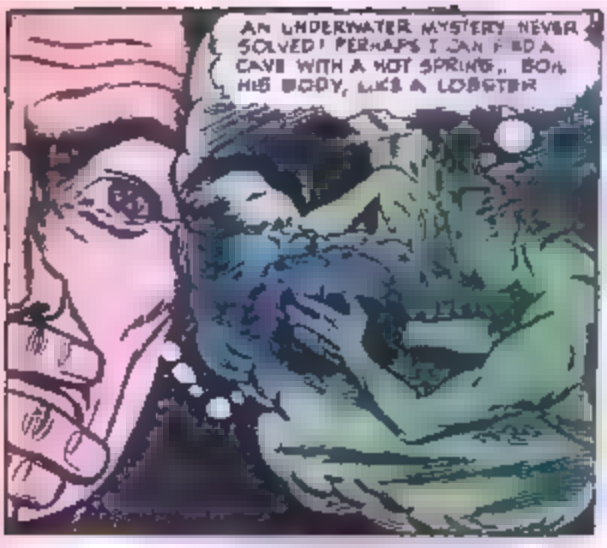
SO SHE WANTS TO RUN AWAY FROM ME, DOES SHE? AND JIM, HE LOVES HER! I'LL SEE ABOUT THAT! I'LL FIX THEM... FIX THEM BOTH!


I MUST THINK OF A WAY... A WAY TO GET RID OF JIM FOR GOOD AND ALL! I'LL CRUSH HER SPIRIT... MAKE HER TURN TO ME! BUT FIRST I MUST GET RID OF THE ONE MAN WHO CAN HELP HER... JIM! AND IT MUST LOOK LIKE AN ACCIDENT!

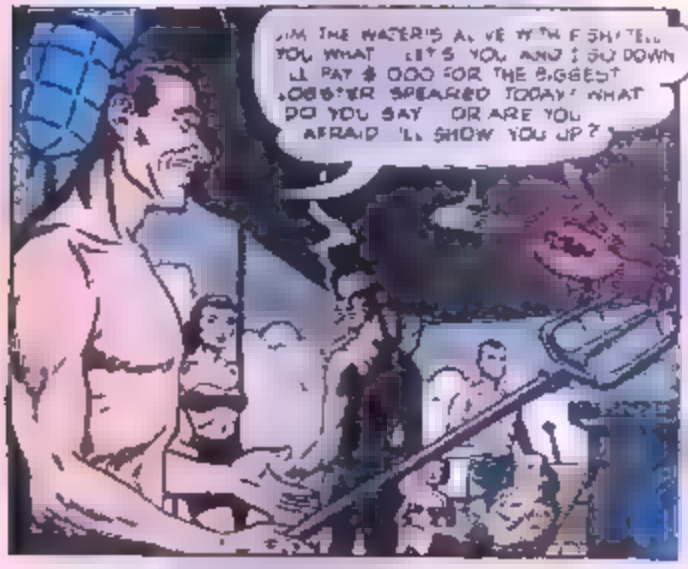

I HAVE IT! UNDERWATER, WITH NO WITNESSES BUT THE FISH... THEY'LL SWIM BEHIND HIM...

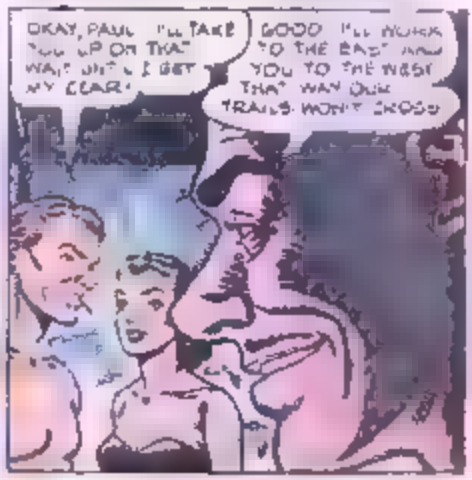
THEN THE SPEAR... INTO HIS BACK... LIKE A LOBSTER...

I'LL TOW THE BODY TO ONE OF THE CORAL CAVES...

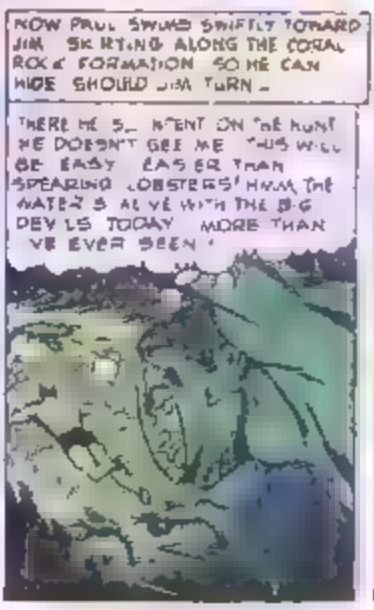

AN UNDERWATER MYSTERY NEVER SOLVED! PERHAPS I CAN FIND A CAVE WITH A HOT SPRING... BOIL HIS BODY, LIKE A LOBSTER

I MUST FIND A WAY TO GET HIM DOWN THERE, THOUGH. I HAVE TO... HE'S NOT WEALTHY... HE'LL NEED MONEY TO RUN AWAY WITH DORIS... THAT'S THE BAIT... I'LL USE TO CATCH MY FISH!

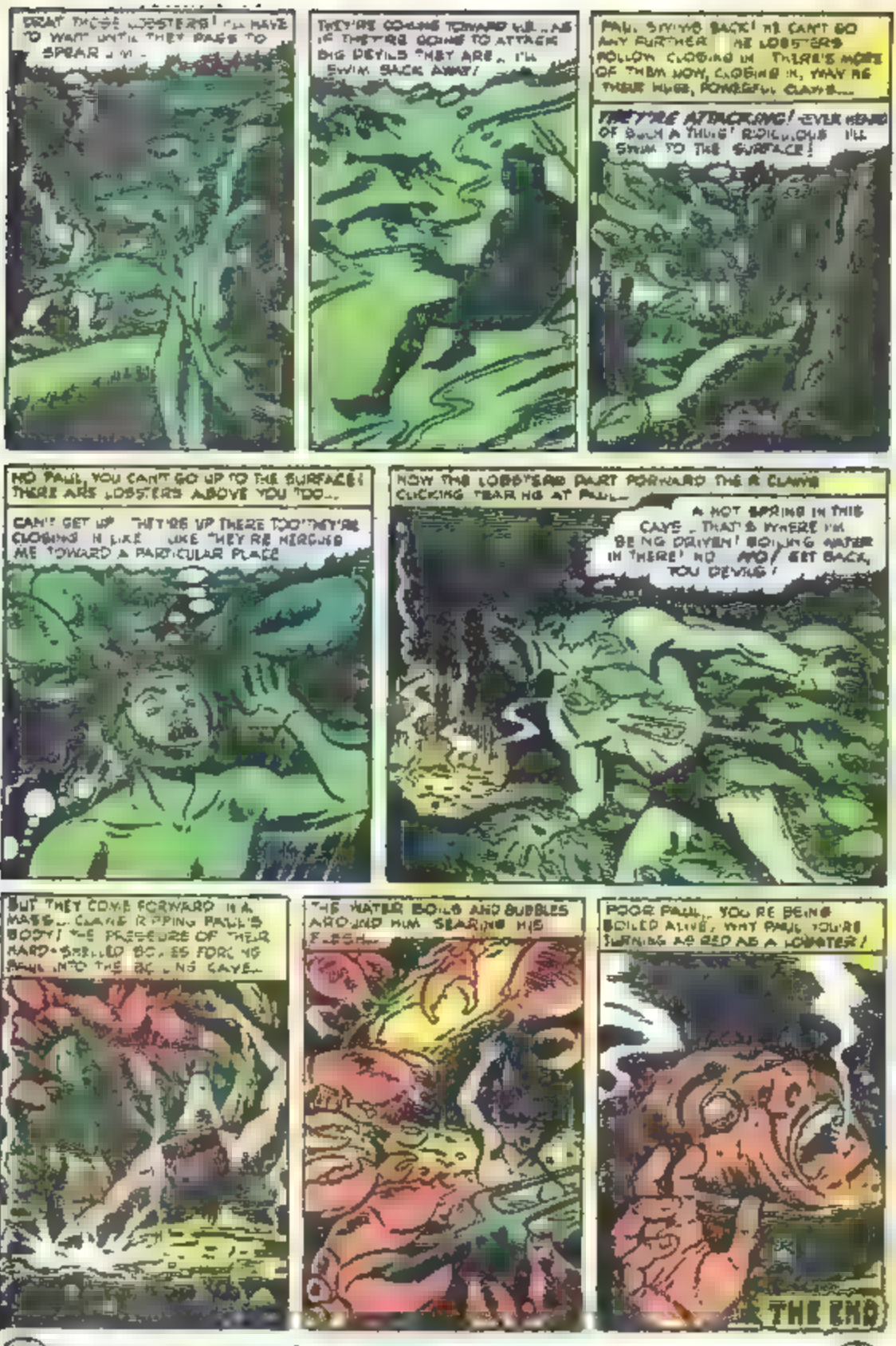

JIM, THE WATER'S ALIVE WITH FISH! TELL YOU WHAT... LET'S YOU AND I GO DOWN... I'LL PAY $ 000 FOR THE BIGGEST LOBSTER SPEARED TODAY! WHAT DO YOU SAY... OR ARE YOU AFRAID... I'LL SHOW YOU UP?


SEE THE LOOK EXCHANGED BETWEEN JIM AND DORIS? PAUL SEES IT TOO! THAT MONEY WILL COME IN HANDY WHEN THEY LEAVE THE YACHT TOMORROW!
OKAY, PAUL... I'LL TAKE YOU UP ON THAT... WAIT UNTIL I GET MY GEAR!
GOOD! I'LL WORK TO THE EAST AND YOU TO THE WEST... THAT WAY OUR TRAILS WON'T CROSS!

THEY PLUNGE INTO THE WATER FROM OPPOSITE ENDS OF THE YACHT


NOW PAUL SWIMS SWIFTLY TOWARD JIM, SKIRTING ALONG THE CORAL ROCK FORMATION SO HE CAN HIDE SHOULD JIM TURN...
THERE HE IS... INTENT ON THE HUNT... HE DOESN'T SEE ME... THIS WILL BE EASY... EASIER THAN SPEARING LOBSTERS! HMM, THE WATER IS ALIVE WITH THE BIG DEVILS TODAY... MORE THAN I'VE EVER SEEN!

PAUL IS CLOSE NOW... HE LIFTS THE SPEAR...
MAYBE IT WOULD BE MORE FUN TO JUST WOUND HIM... THEN THROW HIM IN A HOT CAVE... LEAVE ENOUGH OPENING TO WATCH... WATCH HIM BOIL... TURN AS RED AS A LOBSTER


DRAT THOSE LOBSTERS! I'LL HAVE TO WAIT UNTIL THEY PASS TO SPEAR 'EM...
THEY'RE COMING TOWARD ME...AS IF THEY'RE GOING TO ATTACK! BIG DEVILS THEY ARE... I'LL SWIM BACK AWAY!
PAUL, SWIM BACK! HE CAN'T GO ANY FURTHER! THE LOBSTERS FOLLOW CLOSING IN! THERE'S MORE OF THEM NOW, CLOSING IN, WAVING THEIR HUGE, POWERFUL CLAWS...
THEY'RE ATTACKING! EVER HEARD OF SUCH A THING! RIDICULOUS! I'LL SWIM TO THE SURFACE!
NO PAUL, YOU CAN'T GO UP TO THE SURFACE! THERE ARE LOBSTERS ABOVE YOU TOO...
CAN'T GET UP! THEY'RE UP THERE TOO! THEY'RE CLOSING IN LIKE... LIKE THEY'RE HERDING ME TOWARD A PARTICULAR PLACE
NOW THE LOBSTERS DART FORWARD THEIR CLAWS CLICKING FEARSOMELY AT PAUL...
A HOT SPRING IN THIS CAVE... THAT'S WHERE I'M BEING DRIVEN! BOILING WATER IN THERE! NO! AND I'LL GET BACK, YOU DEVILS!
BUT THEY COME FORWARD IN A MASS... CLAWS RIPPING PAUL'S BODY! THE PRESSURE OF THEIR HARD-SHELLED BODIES FORCING PAUL INTO THE BOILING CAVE...
THE WATER BOILS AND BUBBLES AROUND HIM SEARING HIS FLESH...
POOR PAUL... YOU'RE BEING BOILED ALIVE! WHY PAUL, YOU'RE TURNING AS RED AS A LOBSTER!
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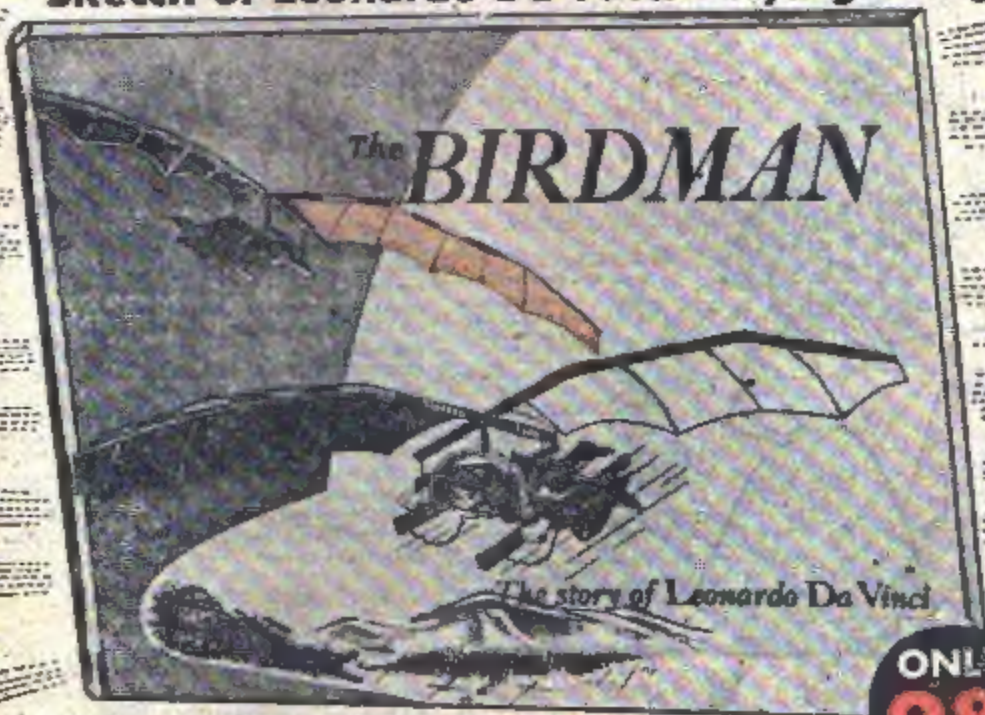

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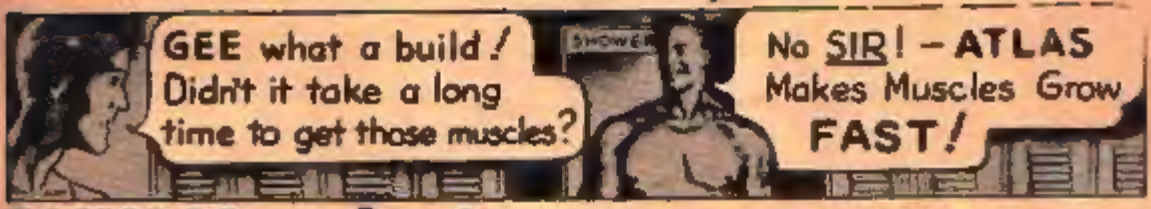

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